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REMARKS

The reopening of prosecution and the indication of allowability of claims 6-9 and 11-18, subject to their being rewritten in independent form is noted with appreciation. By virtue of the foregoing amendment, claims 6 and 11 have been rewritten in independent form including all limitations of the claim or claims upon which they depended. Thus it is assumed that claims 6-9 and 11-18 are now allowable.


In addition, claim 1, the only remaining independent claim not indicated as being allowable has been amended to more clearly distinguish its invention from the cited art. Therefore this claim and non-allowed dependent claims 2-5 and 10 are submitted for reconsideration.

The art rejection presently applied relies on the Japanese published application of Makoto. Although this reference shows a wiring connection, it is quite different and more complex and expensive than that shown by applicant. The external connections in this reference are made via individual and separate connecting elements shown best in Figs 1 and 4b that require the coil winding ends to be independently connected thereto. On the other hand, applicant's construction uses wiring conductors that are integrally molded into the bobbin, as shown in FIGS. 5 and 6 that have exposed terminal ends in the bobbin terminal portion, as best seen in FIG. 5 that receive the external connection. This is not only a simpler and lower cost arrangement, but also permits more flexibility in the choice of the coil groupings.

Since this has been further emphasized by the foregoing amendment, the Examiner is most courteously requested to reconsider her position.

It is believed that no additional fee is required by this amendment, but if the Examiner feels otherwise, she is solicited to call the undersigned and an appropriate credit card authorization will be filed.

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